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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Another revolutionary outbreak in Venezuela. —— Steamer Rio de Janeiro from Honolulu and the Far East, sunk on the California coast, with great loss of life. —— Mrs Chas. W. Fairbanks, Indiana, elected president general of the Daughters of the Revolution. —— Yesterday was a holiday in Washington, D. C., though both houses of Congress were in session. —— Waldersee has postponed his expedition indefinitely. —— The Fertilizer Trust has bought out the Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Company. —— Great Britain has no intention of ratifying the Hay Pauncefote treaty in the form desired by the Senate —— City Charter bill of Wilmington passed the House; Morton introduced a bill in the Senate to give election of chief of police to the Board of Aldermen of Wilmington. —— Snow was falling last night in Jackson, Miss., and Atlanta, Ga. Jury in the second trial of Dr. Kennedy for the murder of Dolly Reynolds disagreed. —— Twenty cases and three deaths from bubonic plague at Cape Town. —— A snow storm prevails throughout Northern Louisiana; at Greenville, Miss., the ground is covered to the depth of four inches. —— Twelve persons were killed and about thirty injured in the railroad collision near Bordentown, N. J.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 22

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 51 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.68 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—For North Carolina—Fair Saturday and probably Sunday; brisk northwesterly winds.

Port Almanac---February 23.

Sun Rises	6 41 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.48 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 07 M.
High Water at Southport.	11 04 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	1 34 A. M.

The British Government has bought 300,000 horses and mules for use in the South African war, About 21,000 of them were bought in this country.

A Pittsburg, Pa., man has hard luck with his right leg. He has had it broken or otherwise injured five times, but never winced while it was being fixed up. It was a wooden leg.

A German electrical expert has informed Kaiser William that in eight or ten years we will be spinning around the globe in twenty-two days, thirteen on water and seven on land. Electricity will do it.

A Utricht, Pa., man who got mad at his horse because he objected to pulling a very heavy load kicked him in the stomach. The horse reciprocated. Now the kicking man is lying up in a hospital for repairs, and the horse is having a vacation.

A young Pennsylvania woman who accidentally pitched into a forty-foot well with ten feet of water in it, carrying with her a prized family pitcher, was overjoyed on being pulled out because that old pitcher wasn't hurt by the drop.

An American geologist who has been prying into the Philippines has discovered that the Garden of Eden was located in that Archipelago, probably in the island of Luzon. The trouble began there and we are keeping it up.

Some of the mystic orders go about breaking in new members rather too vigorously. One in West Virginia a few nights ago in breaking in a new member broke his neck. They have a faint hope that skillful surgeons may splice it and save his life.

The *Smasher's Mail* isn't exactly a happy title for Carrie's proposed paper, which will be run by a female. The Smasher's Hatchet would have been more appropriate and more in keeping with the cutting remarks that Carrie will relieve herself of.

The Japanese do not propose to let the Chinese have the undisputed honor of having discovered this patch of land before C. Columbus. A Jap priest declares that he has the documents to prove that Jap sailors did it. But neither of them staked off claims.

Will be Married Sunday.

Rev. B H. Matthews, of Norwood, N. C, arrived in the city yesterday on his way to Ward's Mill, Onslow county, where on Sunday night at Enon Church he will wed Miss Maggie Montfort, daughter of Col. W. J. Montfort, one of the best known citizens of that county.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. Robert Lamb, of Norfolk, after a visit to Miss Julia James, has returned home.

— Messrs. A. R. Hilburn and R. D. Pridgen, of Viola, were visitors to the city yesterday.

— Mr. Walter Thompson, of Clinton, was here yesterday on his way to Tifton, Ga.

— Mr. W. L. Burkhimer and children left yesterday for Bennettsville, S. C., to visit relatives.

— Miss Bessie Carnes, of Sumter, S. C., is in the city, visiting the family of Mr. Henry Pannill, 514 Dock street.

— Prof. M. C. S. Noble arrived yesterday from Chapel Hill to spend a few days with his family, who have been visiting her since Christmas.

— The STAR is pleased to note that Alderman C. L. Spencer is improving from a very severe attack of la grippe, though he is yet quite sick.

— Misses Mary and Susie Pitts, of Baltimore, who have been the charming guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wright, left last night, returning home.

— Rev. Dr. T. N. Ivey, of Raleigh, who was expected to visit Grace and Fifth Street Methodist churches on Sunday, has written that he cannot come until the second Sunday in March.

— Mr. H. E. Bonitz left yesterday for Raleigh to attend the oratorical contest of the Leazer Literary Society, of the A. & M. College. His brother Maj. Fred Bonitz, of the battalion of cadets, will be one of the contestants for the oratorical medal offered.

— Fayetteville *Observer*, 22nd: "Mr. A. S. Williams, who has been spending several days with his brother, Mr. R. L. Williams, returned to Wilmington yesterday afternoon in order to participate to day in the big golf tournament there this afternoon."

— Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were P. M. Asbury and M. B. Spier, Charlotte; Howard C. Curtis, Southport; M. T. Jordan, Causey, S. C.; C. B. Wright, Raleigh; F. P. Sidbury; Ashton; E. R. Wooten, Rocky Mount; Capt. R. W. McKeithan and James Bowden, of Brunswick and Pender counties respectively.

Latest Apportionment Bill.

The latest apportionment bill before the Legislature is by Representative Duls, of Mecklenburg, and composes the Sixth district of the counties of New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Robeson, Cumberland, Harnett, Richmond, Scotland and Anson. Mecklenburg and Union go to the Seventh and Pender goes along with Craven, Cartaret, Jones, Onslow, Bladen, Sampson, Duplin, Wayne and Lenoir to the Third district. The author of the bill claims that this will give nine Democratic districts with one doubtful.

Exhibition at Taylor's Studio.

Mr. Seleeman, of the Sprague & Hathaway Company, the noted portrait artists of Boston, has on exhibition for to day only at Taylor's Studio, No. 104 Princess street, a large and select line of portraits in water colors, sepia and crayon. He also has on exhibition a number of ivory minatures, such as were produced by artists in the seventeenth century. Mr. Paul M. Taylor, the proprietor, is especially desirous that as many of his friends and patrons as possible call and see them.

Senator Simmons in Washington.

A Washington special to the Raleigh *Post* says that Senator elect Simmons has engaged apartments at the Varnum, in New Jersey avenue, and will arrive there Friday, March 1st. He will be in a nest of Democrats, among them Congressman DeArmond, of Missouri, Jones, of Virginia, Small, of North Carolina, McDowell, of Ohio McLain, of Mississippi, McCulloch, of Arkansas, Ryan, of Pennsylvania, Sims, of Tennessee, and Zeigler, of Pennsylvania.

Funeral of Mrs. Wood.

At 11 o'clock yesterday morning from the residence of Mr. E. T. Draper, No. 223 North Third street, Rev. Dr. James Carmichael impressively conducted the funeral services over the remains of the late Mrs. Jane Wood, whose death was chronicled in yesterday's STAR. The interment was in Oakdale and the following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Capt. W. R. Kenan, Capt. Henry Savage, Messrs. C. W. Yates, C. H King, George R. French and Col. W. L. DeRossel.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. L. Middleton—Groceries.
Vollers & Hashagen—Grain, oats.
Murchison National Bank—We offer

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Agents.
Taylor's Studio—Public invited.
For Sale—Plymouth Rock fowls.

The Paul Young Cases.

Policeman H. H. Woebse was yesterday engaged in summoning witnesses for the prosecution in the cases of the city against Paul Young, who arrived last night to appear in the trial Monday upon the charges preferred against him, he having promptly given bond in the sum of $200 in Raleigh a few days ago. It is learned that the number of witnesses is about fifty.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Morton Introduced a Bill for the Election of Chief of Police of Wilmington

BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

City Charter Passed the House Without Amendment—In the Senate Amendment Will Probably Be Made to Submit to Vote of People.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 22.—Mr. Morton introduced a bill in the Senate to-day to provide that the Board of Aldermen elect the chief of police of Wilmington instead of his being nominated in primary. The present law provides that the mayor and chief of police be chosen in the primary. The purpose of the bill is to have the law effective at the coming election, lest the new charter which has a similar provision is not operative in time.

Morton's bill was considered this afternoon by the committee on Cities and Towns who will to-morrow report it favorably.

The bill for Wilmington's new charter was not amended when it passed the House, Mr. Willard not having offered an amendment providing for an election to pass on the charter. Mr. Morton said to-night that he had received a number of requests from citizens to be heard on the new charter and the committee set next Monday afternoon as the time to hear them.

Morton was asked if he intends any special changes by amendment He says he wants to hear definitely from citizens, but thought the only amendment he would insist on was to submit the charter to a vote of the people before it is operative.

The following important bills passed final reading in the Senate: To authorize the Council of State to award contracts for State printing; Senate bill regarding judgments on homestead and suspending the statute of limitation as to all judgments; to allow Hyde county to levy a special tax; to incorporate the New River Valley Railroad Co.

A bill to revise the general corporation law passed second reading on roll call. The ballot was 34 ayes, 18 noes.

An amendment was adopted striking out clauses to provide for "Merger of corporations" and the right of one corporation to lease its property and franchise to another corporation.

The Senate concurred in the House amendments to bills incorporating the Richmond Savings Bank and East Lumberton.

Mr. Foy introduced a bill to repeal the charter of Point Caswell.

The principal feature of the House proceedings was the passage of the bill to protect and promote the oyster industry. An amendment to this bill by Nicholson to allow a rebate of one cent per bushel instead of half a cent was voted down. Thompson, of Onslow, said the committee opposed rebates, but agreed to one half cent. The spirit of compromise met objections from Nicholson. It was not right to make a man who dug oysters out of a bed pay a tax and give it to canners and packers. We have now the best oyster law ever formulated, if the House stands by the bill and does not adopt the amendment. There are already over six thousand dollars unpaid claims on the oyster board, due to defects in the law and the faulty administration of it.

Other bills passed: To incorporate the Marion and Northwestern Co.; to incorporate East Lumberton; to authorize Mecklenburg county to issue bonds for road improvements; to amend the charter of the Lumberton and Lumber River Company; to exempt tram and narrow gauge roads whose principal business is transportation of logs, from the penalty in section 1717 of the Code, carrying freight for farmers; to amend the law regarding the Board of Health—this changes the term of office of the county physician from one to two years, creates a county sanitary committee composed of two physicians and the county commissioners and changes the term of members of the Board of Health from four to six years.

Bill to charter the North Carolina Veterinary Association was tabled.

Bill to amend section 2, Act 9, of the Constitution, was made the special order for next Thursday.

Bills were introduced: By Carlton, to allow Duplin county to sell its house for the aged and infirm. By Pierce, to amend the charter of Newbern. By Mann, to prevent the sale of liquor in Hyde county. By Hood, to establish graded schools at Mount Olive. By Duls, to incorporate the Raleigh and Virginia Railroad Co.

The Judiciary Committee decided to report favorably the bill to create a code commission.

The joint committee on Congressional districts was at work till a late hour. There is no definite arrangement yet for ten Democratic districts. Watts' bill is nearest solving the problem, Senator Brown thinks. This makes the Sixth district consist of New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Bladen, Cumberland and Harnett. Brown, who is a prominent member of the committee, does not believe the Assembly will finally redistrict the State.

The Joint Finance Committee completed the Revenue act to-night and sent it to the State printer.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

BUSINESS MEN VICTORIOUS

In the Basket Ball Game Against the Naval Reserves at the City Hall Last Night.

The basket ball game at the City Hall last night between the Business Men's team and the Naval Reserves resulted in a "walk-over" for the former, the score having been 51 to 17. The contest was witnessed by the largest crowd of the season and much interest was manifested. The line-up of the teams was as follows:

Business Men's—C. T. Hawes, captain; F. H. Scott, H. E Boney, J. A. McGeachy and W. L. Williford.

Naval Reserves—S. A. Matthews, captain; A. A. Hergenrother, J. H. LeGwin, C. E. Fisher and Walter Morris.

The officers were: Referee, Dr. N. M Weitzel; umpires, G. E. Delano and E Y. Davis; timekeeper, John Frank; scorer, A. L. Dosher.

The "reds" and "blacks" of the junior gymnasium class, tried conclusions again last night after the other contest and the "reds" won by a score of 17 to 16. The teams were composed as follows:

"Reds"—Walter McIntyre, captain; Osborn Foard, Lawrence Von Glahn, Emmett Crow and DeWitt Schonwald.

"Blacks"—Gilbert Foard, captain; William Hall, Eugence LeGrand, Harry West and Henry Heyer.

The officials were the same as those given above.

The game will be played Monday night by the Young Men's and Brigade teams. It will be ladies night and all ladies will be admitted free.

The standing of the teams in the contest for the Zoeller cup is as follows: Business Men, 1,000; Young Men, 500; Brigade, 500; Naval Reserves, 000.

THE NEW CITY CHARTER.

Mr. Willard Introduced It Without Amendment as Sent Officially by Board of Aldermen.

Advocates and opponents of the measure were much interested yesterday in the passage upon its final reading in the House of Representatives of the new city charter, about which there has been so much discussion for the past few months. The chief subject of inquiry relating to the passage was as to whether or not the bill went through with the amendment as proposed by Mr. Willard submitting it to a vote of the people as was told of in the STAR'S special telegrams a day ago, or whether it had gone through as originally presented stripped of any modifications.

Private telegrams received yesterday stated that there was no amendment by Mr. Willard but the following telegram from Mr. Willard to a gentleman in the city and received last night explains with the STAR'S Raleigh telegram printed this morning, the reason for the absence of any amendment.

DEAR SIR—I am in receipt of your letter in regard to the city charter. I did intend to offer an amendment to the city charter providing that it should be submitted to a vote of the people and had the amendment drawn up. After thinking it over, however, I came to the conclusion that I ought not to do it, as it was sent up to me officially from the Board of Aldermen and it was not my business to make any change in it.

Mr. Morton tells me that he will offer an amendment in the Senate to submit it to a vote of the people and also several other amendments.

I did not read it through, but simply introduced it and asked for its passage as a measure sent to me by the Board of Aldermen of our city. It seems to me they should have provided for its submission to the people.

Yours, very truly,
M. S. WILLARD.

HE WILL NOT ACCEPT.

Rev. Edgar Carpenter, of Portsmouth, Declines the Call to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. Edgar Carpenter, assistant rector of Trinity P. E. Church, Portsmouth, Va., will not accept the call recently tendered him by St. Paul's Episcopal parish of this city, this information having been conveyed in a private letter received in the city yesterday morning. This declination of the call will be received with much regret by the members of the Wilmington parish, who were much impressed with him upon the occasion of his visit here a few weeks ago and who brought every influence to bear upon him for an acceptance.

The Rev. Mr. Carpenter in writing of his rejection of the call says:

"For many reasons I should like to come to Wilmington, the people were so gracious to me while on my visit, and they seem to be willing to accept me as their pastor. But I feel it my duty to remain where I am and I have written to Mr. Pickett declining the call. I shall always have pleasant recollections of your town."

Many Children Entertained.

The children of the primary department of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church were entertained at a delightful reception in the Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall from 3 to 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Many games were played and refreshments were served. The occasion was one of much genuine enjoyment for all the children present. The committee of ladies in charge of the recention was composed of the following; Mrs. J. G. Barentine, Miss Kate O'Hanlon and Miss Bessie Wiggins.

PILOTAGE QUESTION.

Shippers Contrast Port Charges Here With Other Southern Cities.

PILOTS ARE ALSO AT WORK.

Both Factions Find Warm Advocates of Their Position and a Lively Fight in the Legislature Will Likely Be the Result.

There are two sides to every question and that of a compulsory pilotage law appears to be no no exception to the rule if argument is any indication of the presence of a two-sided view of matters.

All the talk in shipping circles yesterday was about the proposed measure to abolish, or at least modify, the present compulsory system of pilotage in vogue at the port of Wilmington, extended reference to which was made in these columns yesterday, and both parties to the controversy appear to have found warm advocates of their respective views on the subject in all vocations and professions.

The Pilot's Association is lining ud its members to make a fight upon the bill now in the Legislature and advocates of the bill, who are principally shippers from the port, are no less active in their steps to see that the bill either gets through as originally introduced or that it is so modified as to more nearly conform to their ideas of right and justice in the premises. A petition pointing out the alleged necessities and advantages of the compulsory system was yesterday circulated and largely signed but as to further steps the pilots would take, a STAR representative could learn nothing.

The following communication from Mr. J. A. Arringdale, of the Cape Fear Lumber Company, one of the largest foreign and coastwise shipping men in the city, was yesterday received for publication.

To the Editor of the Morning Star:

DEAR SIR:—I notice in your issue of the 22nd what is said pertaining to the Compulsory Pilotage Law, and quoting Judge Simonton. The Judge only passed on it from a legal standpoint and not from a business one, and what I will write is strictly from a business one and not from a legal one. New York has abolished the Compulsory Pilotage Law on coastwise vessels and has prospered accordingly. Massachusetts and Pennsylvania have done the same; Maryland and Delaware have done the same; Virginia, while she has not abolished the law entirely, has so modified it that coastwise vessels going to Norfolk carrying say 425,000 feet of lumber can be towed from the Cape to Norfolk, a distance of thirty odd miles, put in her dock at Norfolk and towed back to the Cape for the round sum of $75.00, and the same vessel by paying 10 cents per ton on her registered tonnage of say 500 tons or $50 per year paid to the Pilots Association will be entitled to trade in and out of the Capes and Norfolk as often as she likes during that year without any extra pilotage charges. Now comparing this vessel with the same vessel trading at Wilmington and the difference in the charges would be approximately as follows:

Towing from sea to Wilmington and return to sea, 500 tons (square rig) at 25 cents per ton, $125; Pilotage from sea to Wilmington and return to sea on a 14½ foot vessel, $117; docking vessel at Wilmington, $5; total $247 00.

Towing from sea to Norfolk and return to sea, $70; docking vessel at Norfolk, $5; pilotage by license per trip, approximately, $5. Total, $80.

Difference in favor of Norfolk, $167 00.

Now supposing the boats make ten trips a year from both ports the accounts will stand thus: Expenses of vessels for ten trips a year from sea to Wilmington and return to sea, towing, pilotage and dockage, $2,470. Expenses of vessels for ten trips from sea to Norfolk and return to sea towing, pilotage and dockage, $800.00.

Difference in favor of Norfolk, $1,670.

You will notice this makes a difference of $1,670 more in the expenses per year that it will cost the same vessel to trade here than it would to trade in Norfolk owing to the excessive charges for almost identically the same work. This is only one illustration, but is practically a correct one, There is not a ton of coal, salt, kainit, fertilizing material, lumber, spirits of turpentine, tar rosin, or anything shipped into this port or away from this port in cargo lots, that does not pay just such a proportion of the extra charges as compared with Norfolk and the Northern ports. Now does it strike anyone as being strange that the vessel men or the shippers should object to this state of things, and that they should ask their representatives to help to put this pilotage on a fairer basis? The bill in the Legislature does not ask for the abolishment of the entire Pilotage Law, but it simply asks to amend section 3,496 of the Code relating to Pilotage and repealing the provision of the law compelling vessels "who are in tow of a tug, and who employ tug boats" from being compelled to pay pilotage, which is certainly fair. The average coastwise boat coming to this city would not draw over fifteen feet of water, and with twenty feet of water under them and behind a tug boat, who knows the channel why should they have a pilot?

All the captains complain bitterly about this and say that the pilot seldom touches the wheel, and they seldom give an order, and any man who cannot steer his vessel behind a tug with four or five feet of water to spare under him should not be allowed to sail a vessel.

I do not wish to take up any more of your valuable space, and as I only wished to make this one illustration, I will leave it to the people to judge which is most unreasonable of the two propositions, viz: Whether the pilots shall continue to charge the present exorbitant charges, or whether they shall be modified as we set forth before the Legislature.

Yours, very truly,
JNO. A. ARRINGDALE.

The bill by Mr. Rountree, which created the stir among advocates pro and con of the measure, is indexed as one "to amend section 3,496 of the Code, so that a barge towed by a tug having a pilot, need not itself carry an additional pilot." If this caption entirely covers the provisions of the bill it would appear that the ordinary sailing vessels which enter here, will not be affected by the law, but so far as pertains to them the same system of compulsory pilotage will be applicable.

THE GOLF TOURNAMENT.

Washington's Birthday Fittingly Celebrated at the Club Links at Hilton Yesterday Afternoon.

The Cape Fear Golf Club observed Washington's Birthday yesterday by a festive celebration at its links and the occasion was one of the most enjoyable ever given by that hospitable club. The weather conditions were most favorable and there was a large turn out of members and their friends.

The most prominent event of the day was the mixed foursome handicap tournament, which was played in the afternoon for the President's Cup, which is contested for annually. The prize was won by Miss Annie Blount DeRosset and Mr. S. W. Merrell, who made a net score of 68, their handicap allowance being 15. Nine holes were played. The scores of those who entered the tournament were as follows:

Miss Annie B. DeRosset and Mr. S. W. Merrell, gross score, 73; handicap, 15; net, 58.

Miss Lucas and Mr. J. J. Blair, net score, 61.

Mrs. E. C. Holt and Mr. A. S. Williams, net score, 61.

Miss Sue McQueen and Capt. E. W. VanC. Lucas, gross score, 73; handicap, 10; net, 62.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McMillen, gross score, 70; handicap, 5; net, 65.

Miss Martha Williams and Mr. W. W. Merrell, gross score, 77; handicap, 10; net, 67.

The cup was presented to the winners by the president of the club.

A delightful tea was served in the club house by the ladies and the affair was very charming. Beautiful and appropriate souvenir buttons with George Washington's picture on them and miniature hatchets were presented to all present.

Mr. N. F. Parker presented the club with a rustic table and chair, which will be played for in a few days.

"THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY."

His Birthday Celebrated in Wilmington Yesterday in Appropriate Manner.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated with rather more elaborate exercises than usual yesterday. There was a cessation of business by many commercial houses and evidences of the holiday were apparent by the display of flags over the local consulates, public buildings and vessels in the harbor, notable among the flag displays being that aboard the cutter *Algonquin*, which was both profuse and pretty, all the flags of the international code of signals having been introduced. The cutter also fired a sunrise salute yesterday morning and another of twenty-one guns yesterday at noon.

Exercises appropriate to the day were observed at many of the schools.

FASHIONABLE VISITORS AT "AIRLEE."

Prominent New York Society Folk the Guests of Mr. Pembroke Jones.

Some of the most fashionable people in New York society arrived in a private car via the Atlantic Coast Line train yesterday morning and will be guests during a part of Lent of Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones at their handsome retreat, "Airlee," on Wrightsville Sound. The party was met at the station by Mr. Jones, who came down several days ago, and were driven in traps to the sound.

The party which arrived consisted of Mrs. H. Oelrichs, Colonel and Mrs. William Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Childs, Mr. Sidney J. Smith and Mr. Harry Lehr. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Whitehouse are expected to morrow.

Schedule Changes on S. A. L.

Commencing Sunday, February 24th, a slight change will go into effect on the Seaboard Air Line; train No. 41 leaving here at 3 30 o'clock P. M., instead of 3 05 P. M., as now. Closer connection will be made at Hamlet for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville, arriving at those points about an hour earlier. Train No. 31, from New York to Jacksonville, will also be shortened up about twenty minutes. Connection will be made at Maxton by train from here as heretofore, but the connection at Pembroke with the A. C. L. train southbound will be lost.

Did Not Arrive Yesterday.

The Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., the new pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, did not arrive with his family yesterday, as was expected, the party having missed train connection at Atlanta. They will arrive to day, however, on the noon train via the Seaboard Air Line, and will be guests at The Orton. As many of the church officers and members of the congregation as possible are requested to meet them at the station.

The Ice Situation.

It is announced that Mr. W. E. Worth, of the firm of W. E. Worth & Co., ice manufacturers of this city, may manage the plant of the Carolina Ice Company next season. Mr. Worth denies that he has purchased the property and Mr. J. M. Solky, proprietor of the Carolina factory, makes the same denial.

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BRILLIANT RECEPTION TO LIEUTENANT PLATT.

Parents of Talented Young Wilmingtonian Received in His Honor Last Night. Most Splendid Affair.

The reception last night from 8:30 to 11 o'clock by Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. Platt at their hospitable home, No. 609 Grace street, in honor of the return from West Point of their son, Lieutenant William Poisson Platt, was indeed a splendid function and the more than a hundred guests that assembled to do honor to the gallant young soldier, were delighted with the splendid manner in which they were entertained.

The guests were graciously received in the main hall by Lieutenant Platt and his sisters, Misses Nellie and Annie Platt, who were handsomely attired in evening dresses of red dotted swiss, trimmed with *point de sprit* lace, and they carried beautiful bouquets of red carnations. Lieutenant Platt was in full dress U. S. A. uniform. From the hall the guests wese ushered into the spacious parlors and thence into the dining room, all apartments of the beautiful home having been effectively and profusely decorated in green and pink and brilliantly illumined by many colored lights. The decorations were of ribbons, ferns, bamboo and potted plants, one especial feature, aside from these, being a large U. S. flag exquisitely formed in a canopy, which rested upon the ceiling just over the banquet tables. Those who served in the dining rooms were Mrs. S. P. Cowan, Mrs. Sheldon Mitchell, Mrs. J. D. Kelly, Mrs. T. J. Hoskins and Miss Daisy McEachern.

In the parlors there were rendered several instrumental and vocal selections in music by the Misses Platt and visiting friends.

Included in the large concourse of Lieutenant Platt's friends who called during the evening, were all the officers of the local military companies, Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, Lieutenant Platt's pastor; Prof. Washington Catlett, under whose instruction Lieutenant Platt received his earlier education, Dr. D. W. Bulluck and many individual members of the Wilmington Light Infantry and Naval Reserves.

Mr. and Mrs. Platt proved themselves excellent hosts, as was attested by the splendid success of the occasion.

CLEVER DETECTIVE WORK.

Officer Millis Arrested Two Young White Men for Larceny of Money.

Special Police Officer George W. Millis last night arrested two young white men named Fowler charged with larceny, and receiving after it had been stolen, of $20.27 from a Hebrew named Ellers, who had the money stolen from under his pillow night before last while sleeping at a boarding house, No. 115 Dock street, in a room occupied by four other persons besides himself.

Special Officer Millis was put on the case and after ascertaining names of the joint occupants of the room, he went to work and by clever detective ability rounded up the younger Fowler, who confessed and directed the officer to a secluded spot near Northrop's mill, where a part of the money was recovered from its place of burial in the ground and information was given by the prisoner, implicating his brother, Claude Fowler, who was found at his boarding house and made to give up the remaining amount of money, with the exception of one dollar, which had been spent during the day.

Both the young men were locked up at the station house for a hearing today.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The bill in the Senate providing for a general stock law all over the State has been tabled.

— Receipts of cotton during the past week were 3,301 bales against 5,724 bales on the same week last year.

—Friends of the Rev. Jno. H. Hall are pleased to note that he is fast recovering from the slight stroke of facial paralysis which he suffered last week.

— There will be class meeting Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Sunday School room of Grace Church, corner of Fourth and Grace streets All are invited to be present.

— Lieut. Skelding and a squad of Naval Reserves had target practice with their new Lee Magazine rifles at Hilton yesterday morning. Lieut. W. P. Platt, who was a guest of the Reserves upon the occasion, shared honors with Lieut. Skelding in making the best scores.

Distinguished Visitors.

Mr. A. S. Kirkman, the great soap manufacturer, and wife, and party, of Brooklyn, arrived last evening in a private car from New York and left on a special train for Onslow county where they will be guests at Mr. T. A. McIntyre's lodge.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 23.

"THE HONOR OF THE UNITED STATES."

The New York *Herald* is a peculiar paper, peculiar for the reason that whatever its opinion may be on public questions one day there is no telling where it will be the next day. Early in the Presidential campaign it published some scathing editorials arraigning the administration policy in the Philippines. They were so pointed and so strongly supported by the facts furnished by the *Herald's* correspondents in the Philippines, the natural inference was that the paper would stand in with those who contended that the proper thing for this Government to do was to withdraw from the Philippines at the earliest opportunity and turn the government of the islands over to their own people. But after a few of these articles they were suddenly dropped and we heard no more of the Philippines in the columns of the *Herald*. What struck it dumb so suddenly or brought about this dense silence when it had been so outspoken and apparently so much in earnest, is a mystery, but it soon became the champion of the man whose policy it had denounced and of the party under whose leaders in Congress that policy was enforced. It did not like Wm. J. Bryan's silver views but it was practically with him on the Philippine question. Its not liking his silver views was no sufficient reason for committing itself to the Philippine policy which it had so recently condemned and denounced. Sudden changes like this are what make the *Herald* a very peculiar paper, and have left it editorially without influence, however excellent it may be and well it may stand as a newspaper. The recent article by Mark Twain on the course pursued by this country in the Philippines, furnishes it the text for the following editorial:

Mark Twain as a humorist, as an American wit, stands on a pedestal, alone, unrivalled, but the genial author of "Innocence Abroad" has of late shown a tendency to ignore the accepted truism of the advantage of a shoemaker sticking to his last. Frederick the Great wished to be a poet, and Voltaire's ambition was to be a statesman. The manner in which each failed in attempting the other's role is one of the most instructive lessons in history.

A few days ago the *Herald* printed from an article in the *North American Review* in which Mark Twain, a humorous writer sought to be an authority on politics. He undertook to deliver himself of some very strong views upon England's war in South Africa. Now he attacks the Washington government in very strong language upon its policy in the Philippines. Here is where Mark Twain reveals to the world his weakness in having entered a field not his own.

"The Philippine question is one most intimately associated with the honor of the United States, and consequently not to be trifled with.

"Mr. McKinley has given very solemn pledges in the name of civilization and humanity that the wrongs which existed in the Philippines, caused by centuries of Spanish corruption and misrule, shall be righted; that a new constitution under American protection shall be established. In this the United States has been opposed by professional revolutionaries and agitators who have combated American authority by force of arms and have refused to consider any form of government unless allowed to dictate it themselves.

"Their suggestions are impossible, for the Tagals have long shown themselves by their barbarous habits and treacherous ways unfit for self government. Therefore until they are thoroughly subdued and have unconditionally surrendered the United States must proceed in the work undertaken or forever stand stultified in the eyes of the nations.

"Whether luckily or unluckily, the United States has assumed a protectorate over the Philippines, and having done so must act up to her engagements."

Mark Twain does not aspire to the role of statesman, although it would be rather underrating him to suppose that he would not fill the bill of statesman quite as well if not better than some of the gentlemen who are playing statesmen now in Washington, who shift as the wind and don't seem to know one day what course they will pursue the next. Not pretending to be a statesman the probabilities are that Mark and the *Herald* would be about on a par. But the difference between them is that while Mark makes no pretensions to talking statesmanship the *Herald*, which calls him to task, does.

Mark Twain is not a statesman, and does not pretend to be. He is simply a plain, common sense American citizen and talks as such, as a man with sense enough to see the follies of the directors of our Government, their blunders and self-stultifying, and possessing pride and love of country enough to feel disappointed and even chagrined at all this.

In his own peculiar and cutting way Mark Twain cited the facts of history which have brought on the conditions in the Philippines, and why it is that this country finds itself burdened with "obligations," which it feels bound in honor to bear, self-assumed obligations voluntarily assumed, and what is more, assumed by stealth and under false pretences. Was there any obligation upon this country to buy those islands after the Spaniards had been practically driven from them? Was there any good reason why we should have suddenly ignored the people with whom our military representatives had been co-operating until Spain struck her flag and then claim sovereignty by virtue of the trade with defeated Spain? We were buying from Spain who had forfeited the right to sell, what we in conjunction with the Filipinos had won with arms and won with the tacit if not specific understanding that the prize should go to our allies, who had helped to divert the attention of Spain from Cuba to the Philippines and thus make the task of freeing Cuba easier?

And then after all that, after the Filipinos had carried out their part of the agreement in good faith, we cut loose from them, ignore them, go through a form of purchase and by virtue of that purchase in which they were not consulted and had nothing to say, we claim the right of sovereignty over them as Spain's successor and call them traitors and treat them as traitors for refusing to acknowledge us as their masters. That's the obligation which we have assumed and the hypocritical pretence under which we pursue a policy begun in perfidy and carried out in infamy. As for pledges this administration has about as much regard for them as seafaring men have for last year's storm predictions Talk about "the honor of the United States." That honor was smirched when the United States was dragged into that conscienceless grab.

MORE ATTENTION TO THE HOME MARKET.

One of the problems with our cotton manufacturers is how to dispose of the surplus. One of the strongest arguments, and one which is being used with some effect in the South, for holding on to the Philippines, is that it will give us vantage ground for the extension of our trade in China. The industry in this country, and especially in the South, has suffered much from hindrance to trade by the war in China in which we found a market for a large quantity of coarse goods. But we have been looking to the East and neglecting markets nearer home where a large trade might be built up with systematic, persevering effort. South and Central America offer an inviting field, but his has been turned to little account in the effort to force our way into other markets. England, Germany, France, Italy and even Spain have controlled and practically do control the cotton trade in those countries now, and it should be ours. In discussing the mistakes of our manufacturers, the *United States Investor* calls attention to another, the neglect of the home trade, on which it says:

"Notwithstanding the prosperity enjoyed by the cotton mills of the United States in the last few years, the fact remains that the industry is still far from being on the footing that could be desired. There has been an enormous increase in the number of mills in the country; the South has become a very powerful competitor of the North in the manufacture of cotton goods; and there have been times when the industry appeared to be in danger of a glut. There has, however, been a great increase in the exports of cotton goods from the United States; and the feeling has grown up that after all we were not increasing our productive capacity too fast. Much stress in particular has been laid on the fact that we have found in China a customer who would furnish a sufficient outlet to keep our marke from becoming congested."

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"The point of the whole situation is this: We have built up an export movement of moderate proportions in coarse goods at the expense of a very much larger domestic business in fine goods which has been waiting to fall into our hands. Let us cite a few figures from the trade reports. For the twelve months ended December 31, 1900, there were imported into the United States $20,672,525 of laces, edgings, embroideries, insertions, tuckings, lace window curtains, etc.; there were also imports of bleached, dyed, colored, stained, painted or printed cotton cloth amounting to $7,000,000; besides other fabrics consisting largely of what are termed 'fine goods,' making a total importation of $42,714,759 The total exportation of cotton goods of all kinds amounted in value to $20,722,759. Of this amount exportations to the Chinese Empire aggregated $5,205,802 During the year year 1899 exportations of cotton goods amounted in value to $24 858,929, of which $10,273,487 were sent to the Chinese empire. This falling off reflects the influence of the Chinese troubles on our exportation to that country. The long and short of the matter is, that we have allowed foreign manufacturers to increase their hold on the American market until now they are sending us about 100 per cent more cotton goods than the amount of our own goods which we can dispose of in foreign markets, even after the great efforts we have made in recent years."

Importing over $40,000,000 of cotton goods while we are exporting $20,000,000 doesn't look like good business, and it isn't, especially when so many are struggling to find a market for coarse goods in which there is but a small margin of profit. Instead of importing fine goods we should be able to supply the home market with them and export them, too.

Addicks and DuPont seem to be the coming Senators from Delaware. Gas and powder! What an inflammable combination.

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SILK MANUFACTURING.

The manufacture of silk in this country has progressed rapidly, but does not seem to have attracted as much attention as some of the other industries have, and one of the remarkable things about it is that we import all of the raw material, principally from China and Japan.

The industry was established in 1834, and increased slowly until in 1860 we produced 13 per cent. of the amount used for home consumption. In 1880 we produced 38 per cent., while the output now is about 75 per cent. In 1860 there were 5,435 persons employed in the industry; in 1870, 6,649; in 1880, 31,337; in 1890, 57,913; in 1900, 67,000. In 1860 wages amounted to $1,050,224; in 1870, $1,942,286; in 1880, $9,146,705; in 1890, $17,680,318; in 1900, $23,000,000. An industry that pays out annually in wages $23,000,000 is entitled to very much respect.

These factories are nearly all located in New Jersey (which leads), Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, taking the place in Pennsylvania of the iron-manufacturing industry, which had ceased to be profitable in some localities. North Carolina is the only Southern State, as far as we know, where the industry has been entered upon, and here the results have been so satisfactory that the probabilities are more mills will be built.

This suggests the inquiry why, in view of the fact that about all of the raw material is imported, efforts should not be made to produce the raw material, which, in the South at least, ought to succeed as well as in China, Japan or France. Producing the raw material there is no reason why this country should not become as potent a factor in the silk trade as she is in the cotton trade.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The prospect of a tariff war between Russia and the United States is creating a sensation throughout Europe, and in Germany, especially, it is hailed with delight. The Agrarians and other anti-Americans hope that it heralds the downfall of the commercial supremacy of the United States. —*Philadelphia Telegraph, Rep.*

—— The esteemed Chicago *Tribune* has an interesting article explaining why the editorial deliverance of many newspapers have not more influence than they have. One of the reasons not mentioned is that some newspapers have a habit of holding one opinion most of the time and just the contrary during a presidental campaign. — *Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

—— The recent great consolidations of railroads and steel interests means many thousands of men out of employment, and tens of thousands of mouths to go hungry. It has been roughly estimated that some 30,000 men will be discharged, and that the trusts will save in wages hitherto paid them many millions of dollars per year. The saving will, of course, go into the coffers of the poor money kings.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— When Senator Hanna permitted his anger to manifest itself in the subsidy debate, it was an acknowledgement of defeat. It is creditable the common sense of the nation that even party bargain and sale was unequal to the task of rushing through congress a bill making such a deliberate raid upon the treasury. The people of the United States are in revolt against the form of trust which has already stuck its tentacles into the body politic, and do not want to add to it a steamship monopoly which would crush out the small shipowners. Mr. Hanna has met his fate.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Theodore—"He went so far as to call me a puppy!" Harriet—"And at your Age! The idea."—*Boston Transcript.*

— Householder—"This bill of yours is twice as much as it should be." Plumber—"Well, my man was in your house twice as long as he ought to have been."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Mrs. Benham — "Not one woman in a thousand marries the man she wants." Benham—"She don't want to marry the man she wants; she wants to marry the man some other woman wants."—*Brooklyn Life*

— Tommy—"Tell me a story, uncle." Uncle—"A story! But I don't know what to tell you a story about." Tommy—"Oh, tell me a story about a little boy who had a good uncle who gave him sixpence."—*Pick Me Up*

— Jones—"I am never at a loss in conversation." His Fair Hostess—"But surely, Mr. Jones, there must be some subjects you don't understand. What do you do then?" Jones—"Oh, then—I say nothing, and look intelligent."—*Punch,*

— Sanitary Question: He gazed at the individual who was spread over four seats in a crowded railway car and murmured: "May I ask you a question?" The individual grunted assent. "Have the government inspectors examined you yet for trichinosis?"—*Pittsburg Chronicle.*

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The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin erruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run down invalid. Only 50 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The Goldsboro table factory, a truly mammoth structure, located in the northwestern section of our progressive city, will begin operations on Monday next. The machinery is all new and of the latest make.

— Chatham *Record*: We much regret to hear of the death of our old friend, Mr. James L. Fields, of Gulf township, who died last week, aged about ninety years. He was, at the time of his death, the oldest Confederate soldier in the State, and probably in the South.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: Mr. Thos. J. Cowan, of Hamlet, died last Thursday, Feb. 14th, in Charlotte. Mr. Cowan was a former resident of Laurinburg, a brother of Mr. Jno. B. Cowan and a gallant Confederate soldier.

— Real Economy: Mrs. Newlywed—"The idea! He says I'm extravagant!" Her Mother — "Well, dear, perhaps you're not as economical as you might be." Mrs. Newlywed—"O! but I am. Why, I never buy a blessed thing but bargains."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Hillsboro *Observer*: A dastardly attempt was made to burn the business portion of our town either Saturday or Sunday night. The fiend poured oil through the cracks and on the door of an unoccupied store house belonging to Messrs. James Webb, Jr., & Bro., in front of the court house, struck a match and set the paper on fire and put it through a cat hole in the door. The door showed signs of having been on fire, and why the fire did not make any more headway, will probably never be known.

— Southport *Standard*: We are informed by Capt. J. L. Daniel, who piloted the schooner John I. Snow down the river from Wilmington on Monday afternoon and last night, that on the trip one of the seamen, a colored man about forty years of age, was heard to say when in the forecastle of the ship that he was "going," and that later he came out on deck and was seen no more. Strict search was made on the ship and on the Jones, without finding him. The probability is that he went overboard and was drowned. The captain of the ship went to Wilmington, secured a seaman in his place and sailed yesterday.

— Mount Airy *News*: The most shocking and heart rending affair that has occurred in this vicinity in many years, took place at the Mount Airy Granite Furries Wednesday morning at the residence of Mr. Cleve Ham. The little six year old daughter was left alone in the house by its mother, who had gone to see one of her neighbors, and, on her return, found her child enveloped in flames and screaming for help. But it was too late! The gre had done its work, the flesh was already dropping from its arms. It lived in awful agony twenty-four hours

— Weldon *News*: A message was received here Tuesday morning from Littleton that burglars entered the store of Mr. S. J. Stallings, at that place Monday night and blew open his safe. The burglars who are supposed to be professional safe crackers, managed to secure about $25 or $30 in money, which Mr. Stallings had placed in the safe after banking hours. It was noticed during the day in Littleton Monday, that there were quite a number of tramps in town one of which, it is said, looked very much like a Chinaman. Several tramps, supposed to be safe crackers, were arrested at Halifax Wednesday and were taken to Littleton. ——The express office at Roanoke Rapids was broken into and robbed one night last week. Mr. Marvin Newsom, the agent there, lost his gun, overcoat and other articles of wearing apparel. Several express packages were taken and the robbers got away with about $200. The robbers left no clue.

How Russia Corners Sugar.

Each year the minister of finance fixes the amount of sugar which shall be produced in the empire and sets the price at which it shall be sold. The average domestic consumption is about 1,000,000,000 pounds. This is announced as the legal limit of production which shall be put upon the market during the year. In addition to this it is allowed to manufacture 180,000,000 pounds more, which is placed in storage. The 1,000,000,000 pounds, as it is sold, pays an excise tax of 2½ cents a pound.

If at any time, through increased demand, sugar becomes worth more than the price fixed by the government, the 180,000,000 pounds in reserve is allowed to reach the market free of excise duty. If this does not supply the market at the legal price, the government itself will buy from foreign countries enough sugar to supply the need for a bear influence upon the price. This has been done by Russia twice during the past ten years. This system, of course, precludes any export business in sugar, but the Russian government does not believe that the exporting of sugar from Russia can be made profitable or advisable, so it does not encourage it.—Fortnightly Review.

What Kansas City (Kan.) Wants.

A tannery, shoe factory, bristle brush factory, paper mill, cellulose factory, condensed milk factory and a modern hotel are some of the things that Kansas City, Kan., wants built in that town and for which its people are holding out to the investors of capital the most liberal inducements. The mercantile club has sent 10,000 circulars broadcast over the country calling attention to the needs of the city at the mouth of the Kaw and extending a welcome to the holders of money to come and investigate the inducements that are offered for the investment of capital in her institutions. There are in Kansas City, Kan., many acres of vacant land suitable for factory sites that is nearer the manufacturing center than any other property that is available, and the cheapness of it is the most inviting thing that is held out to the people who are seeking a place to put their money. Within the next four years Kansas City, Kan., hopes to cover these idle acres with a forest of smokestacks and to add more greatness to the greatest city in Kansas.—Kansas City Times.

Two Forms of Tin.

Readers who are not familiar with recent work in physical chemistry, says Science, may be interested to learn that many solid substances are now known to have two or more forms or phases. For instance, it has very recently been ascertained that metallic tin may exist, either as a gray crystalline powder or in the well known form under which it possesses both luster and ductility. At a particular temperature both forms may coexist; above that temperature only the ordinary form is stable and below, that temperature only the powdery form.

Money Weight.

Money is measured by troy weight, in which 24 grains make a pennyweight, 20 pennyweights one ounce and 12 ounces one pound. The silver dollar weighs 412½ grains, and $1,000, as near as it can be expressed intelligently in print, weighs 71.614 pounds, or a fraction over 71½ pounds. In avoirdupois the same would weigh 58.928 or nearly 59 pounds.

Immoral Fables

BY BARRY PAIN.

An elderly giraffe born in foreign parts was in the habit of entertaining with his conversation a large captive bred baboon. By agreeable persiflage and well chosen anecdote he did much to relieve the tedium of off hours in their menagerie life. The baboon, silent, but singularly accurate, would listen for hours to tales of what would have been his native land if only he had been born there.

"Would you not like to hear now something of the desert?" asked the giraffe.

The baboon, terse, but by no means indifferent, nodded his head.

"The desert," said the giraffe, "is composed of sand. Some deserts are furnished also with a neat and convenient oasis, an arrangement of trees and fountain singularly grateful and refreshing to the weary and parched traveler. Others are provided with a mirage, an ingenious optical delusion, but, judged by the hard test of results, of no practical value. Others, again, are without either of these annexes and may be considered as vast plains of sand, extending, as a general rule, over a space greater than the whole of this island, where at present we are being exhibited at prices sadly incommensurate with the pleasure and instruction that we provide for the young. An alligator of my acquaintance once attempted to cross one of these deserts. He took his chance of finding an oasis, but as it happened this desert was all sand, pure sand and nothing but sand. I would not harrow the feelings and depress the spirits by recounting all the agonies that the alligator endured from thirst. Suffice it to say that a point was reached when he knew that in another hour he would be dead for want of water. The point to which I wish to call your attention is one which has a curious psychological interest. Unable to endure the suspense of waiting the approach of death, the misguided and desperate reptile anticipated the decree of nature and committed suicide."

"How?" asked the baboon.

The giraffe cleared his throat to gain time and then murmured, with a pathetic look in his eye:

"Drowned himself."

And then no sound was heard but the snapping of the bars of the cage by the justly incensed baboon. A moment later the air was thick with shreds of decentralized giraffe.

Immoral.—Never begin to tell a lie until you see your way to the end of it.

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There was once an almond eyed princess of great beauty, considerable wealth and several principalities. And when the time drew near that she should be married she bade her grand vizier bring before her suitors, that she might hear what they had to say, at the same time not binding herself to accept the lowest or any tender.

When the day came, there were but three who had the courage to step forward and urge their claims. The first was middle aged and portly and spoke after this manner:

"Princess, if you will be mine I will give you the finest palace in this country and the largest diamond and the fleetest horse."

The second was younger and would have been nice looking if he had not had a shifty eye.

"Princess," he said, "if my suit finds favor with you I will do all that this merchant has promised, and, moreover, by a private arrangement between the court physician and myself, I will succeed my father as king, and you shall be my queen."

"Number three," the vizier called out, and very shyly the third man stepped forward. He was very young and as beautiful as a young god. He was simply but tastefully attired in a suit, no longer new, of his Sunday clothes.

"Oh, princess," he said in a rich and fruity voice, looking round absentmindedly for the limelight, "I have no treasure to offer you nor power nor title—only an undying love."

There was a faint trembling on the violin strings. The musicians, being used to oriental stories, had expected something of the kind. The vizier spoke:

"Oh, more than diamonds! Oh, sweeter than power! Higher, far higher, is love undying, love that"—

"I wish you'd sit down and not talk like a back number," said the princess. "Number two wins, of course."

Immoral.—The highest feelings are the farthest out of reach.

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In the garden of an aged and rheumatic chartered accountant (who has nothing to do with the story) there grew a proud rose and a poppy side by side. The rose was tended and pruned and watered; nobody heeded the poppy. If they had heeded it, they would have taken it by the neck and thrown it out. It was a common and self sowed poppy. Some people would have thought it of no value. They would have been right first time.

One dry day the poppy permitted itself to remark, "Oh, if they would only water me too!"

"Why should they?" asked the rose. "I am beautiful in color, graceful in shape, delicious in perfume. You are cheap and gaudy and untidy, and you smell bad, and there is no wear in you."

The poppy was on the point of inventing one of those humble but pathetic answers that are so common in fables when a wind arrived and took most of the poppy's face along with it.

Possibly immoral, but quite true and frequently overlooked.—The braggart sometimes speaks the truth about himself, and humility with no other concomitant merit is not necessarily triumphant.

Advantages of Vivisection.

Up to the time that Sir Charles Bell made his experiments on the nerves of the face it was the common custom of surgeons to divide the facial nerve for the relief of neuralgia, tic-doloreaux, whereas it exercises, and was proved by Sir Charles Bell to exercise, no influence over sensation, and its division consequently for the relief of pain was a useless operation.

So far back as 1500 Frascatorius had said that phthisis (consumption) came by "the giving of the corrupt and noisome humors of the patient into the lungs of a healthy man." Surely, if clinical experience could suffice, men would have made something out of this wisdom of Frascatorius. They made nothing of it; they waited three centuries for Villemin to inoculate the rabbits, and then the thing was done. En voici les preuves.

Thus within a few years experiments on animals have set the subject of typhoid in a new light. They have given to everybody a new method for the diagnosis of obscure cases. They have illuminated some of the mysteries of immunity, and they have brought about preventive inoculation.—"Experiments on Animals," by Stephen Paget.

The Modesty of Merit.

I have known half a dozen Victoria cross men, but never heard a battle yarn from one of them. I remember trying to draw from a friend who had distinguished himself in the battle of the Alma, where he had two horses killed under him, something as to his feelings and experiences in an engagement. All I could get from him was: "A battle is a very disagreeable place to be in. Come, and I'll show you my pigs."—Rev. E. J. Hardy, British Army Chaplain.

A Startler.

Thomas K. Beecher once prefaced a sermon preached at Plymouth for his brother with the startling intimation: "All those who have come here to worship Henry Ward Beecher will now retire. All those who have come to worship God will remain."

Forewarned.

A Yorkshire vicar tells how he once received the following note from one of his parishioners: "This is to give notice that I and Miss Jemima Brearley are coming to your church on Saturday afternoon next to undergo the operation of matrimony at your hands. Please be prompt, as the cab is hired by the hour. Fare warned is forearmed."—London Tit-Bits.

BABY'S BUSINESS

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☞ The following quotations represent wholesale prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		8½	8½
Standard		8	8½
Burlaps		6	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔		10	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		8½	8½
Shoulders ℔ ℔		8½	9
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		7½	7¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		7½	7¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 35		1 40
Second-hand machine			1 40
New New York, each			1 45
New City, each			1 45
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M		7 00	7 50
Northern		9 00	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔		20	25
Northern		25	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		52	53
Virginia Meal		51	53
COTTON TIES ℔ bundle			1 35
CANDLES— ℔ ℔			
Sperm		18	25
Adamantine		8	11
CHEESE— ℔ ℔			
Northern Factory		13	14
Dairy Cream		13½	14
Half cream		12½	13
COFFEE— ℔ ℔			
Laguyra		11	12½
Rio		9	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard			5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s			70
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel		22 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.		11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel		16 00	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.		8 00	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel		13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		3 50	3 75
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		7 00	7 25
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg		3 00	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		5	10
" Extra		4 25	4 50
FLOUR— ℔ ℔			
Low grade		3 25	3 50
Choice			3 75
Straight			4 00
First Patent		4 50	4 75
GLUE— ℔ ℔			10
GRAIN— ℔ bushel			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		59	60
Mixed Corn		57	59
Car-load, in bgs—White			56
Oats, from store		37½	40
Oats, Rust Proof		42½	45
Cow Peas		90	1 00
HIDES— ℔ ℔			
Green salted		5½	6
Dry flint		10	11
Dry salt		9	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy		95	1 00
Rice Straw		40	50
Eastern		90	95
Western		90	95
North River			90
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		2½	3½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern		6½	8½
North Carolina		9	10
LIME, ℔ barrel		1 15	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M—			
Ship Stuff, resawed		18 00	20 00
Rough edge Plank		15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality		13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned		18 00	22 00
Sheathing and Board, com'n		14 00	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogsheads			25
Barbadoes, in barrels			28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		28	30
Porto Rico, in barrels		28	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads		12	14
Sugar House, in barrels		14	16
Syrup, in barrels		15	25
NAILS, ℔ 10c. Cut, 60d basis			2 35
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess			15 00
Rump			14 50
Prime			14 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔		11	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum			1 25
Liverpool		90	1 10
American		95	1 00
On 100 ℔ Sacks		65	70
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		5¼	5¾
Standard A		5¼	5¾
White Extra C		5	5¼
Extra C, Golden		4¾	5
C Yellow		4¾	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel		6 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead			10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		8 00	9 00
Common mill		4 00	6 00
Fair mill		6 50	7 50
Prime mill		7 50	8 50
Extra mill		8 50	9 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart		4 25	5 00
" Sap		3 00	3 25
5x20 Heart		2 25	2 50
" Sap		1 50	1 75
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern		1 00	3 10

The Stewart Mansion.

The old Stewart house at Fifth avenue and Thirty-fourth street, New York city, which has just been sold, is still looked upon by country visitors as a model of a New York palace. When A. T. Stewart built the house, nearly 40 years ago, he was one of the most talked about of New York's millionaires. Every visitor to the city saw Stewart's store as one of the sights and then gazed on the exterior of his new house. The appointments of this mansion were so embellished by the imagination that Stewart himself would not have recognized them. From its situation and style the house has always been conspicuous, but as a residence it would not bear comparison with any one of a hundred New York houses. Since Mrs. Stewart's death the only tenant of this property has been the Manhattan club, and that organization was almost killed by it. Since the Manhattan club moved down to the University club's old house the property has been for sale. Rumor has turned it into a restaurant several times and once into a store, and now there is no certainty as to what will be done with it. It is a conspicuous monument to A. T. Stewart's fortune, and so long as it stands it will be known as the Stewart house.

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We believe that no small part of our farmers are "land poor," not in the sense that the term is often used, that they have much land that does not produce enough to pay the taxes and interest on the value—though some of them are even that badly off—but many have much more land than they can cultivate as it should be and more than they can keep up near to its proper productive condition. They may use most of it in some way and think they get an income from it, but a large share of those who really make money at farming make it upon but a small part of the farm. A few acres of meadow near the barns, the orchard and the garden are profitable. For the rest, if they sold it or rented it to some one who would put fertilizer and labor on it and produce as much on one acre as is now produced on three, it would be more profitable to the present owner and to the buyer or renter. More small farms, more intensive farming and closer looking after the best possible results from small areas are what we need.—American Cultivator.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, February 22.

No quotations on account of holiday.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	60
Rosin	515
Tar	270
Crude turpentine	22

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 1,163 bbls rosin, 901 bbls tar, 7 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 9 16 cts ℔
Good ordinary	7 15-16 " "
Low middling	8 9 16 " "
Middling	9 " "
Good middling	9 5 16 " "

Same day last year middling firm at 8¾c.

Receipts—495 bales; same day last year, 1,012.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 75c.

CORN—Firm; 58 to 60c per bushel for white

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c. sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Firm at 14c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 12½@25c; springs, 10@17c.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 8½c; dressed, 10 to 11c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 55c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Cotton Exchange closed — Holiday.

February 22.—Galveston, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 2,966 bales; Norfolk, holiday, net receipts 639 bales; Baltimore, holiday, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 9 5 16c, net receipts 1 426 bales; Wilmington, holiday, net receipts — bales; Philadelphia, holiday, net receipts — bales; Savannah, holiday, net receipts 2,199 bales; New Orleans, holiday, net receipts 5,784 bales; Mobile, holiday, net receipts 58 bales; Memphis, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 701 bales; Augusta, holiday, net receipts 611 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 179 bales.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, February 22, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, moderate business; prices firmer; American middling 5 5-16d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,900 bales American. Receipts 13,000 bales, including 8,400 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady. American middling (l. m. c. February 5 19 64d seller; February and March 5 16-64d seller; March and April 5 15 64d seller; April and May 5 13 64d buyer; May and June 5 16 64d buyer; June and July 5 10 64@5 11 64d buyer; July and August 5 8 64@5 9 64d buyer; August and September 4 60 64d buyer; September 4 60 64d buyer; October (g. o. c) 4 58-64@4 59 64d seller; October and November 4 31 64@4 32 64d seller.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

Stmr A J Johnson, Marley, Clear Run, by master.

Clyde steamship Oneida, Staples, Georgetown, H G Smallbones.

Stmr Compton, Sanders, Calabash and Little River, S C, Stone, Rourk & Co.

CLEARED.

Stmr A J Johnson, Marley, Clear Run, by master.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Schr C C Wehrum, 507,840 feet dressed lumber, valued at $6,100; cargo by Hilton Lumber Company; vessel by George Harriss, Son & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—67 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—316 bales cotton, 14 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—61 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 42 barrels rosin, 90 barrels tar, 11 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—28 bales cotton, 19 casks spirit turpentine, 13 barrels rosin, 14 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—110 bales cotton, 27 barrels tar.

Steamer Oneida—12 bales cotton.

Schooner Samuel—4 casks spirit turpentine, 34 barrels rosin, 6 barrels tar.

Schooner Minnie Ward—1 bale cotton; 8 casks spirits turpentine, 35 barrels rosin, 86 barrels tar.

Schooner Ruth J.—15 casks spirits turpentine, 35 barrels rosin, 6 barrels tar.

Herring's Raft—240 barrels rosin

Underwood's Raft—126 barrels rosin.

Smith's Raft—41 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 495 bales; spirits turpentine, 60 casks; rosin, 515 barrels tar, 270 barrels; crude turpentine, 25 barrels.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 21, 1901.

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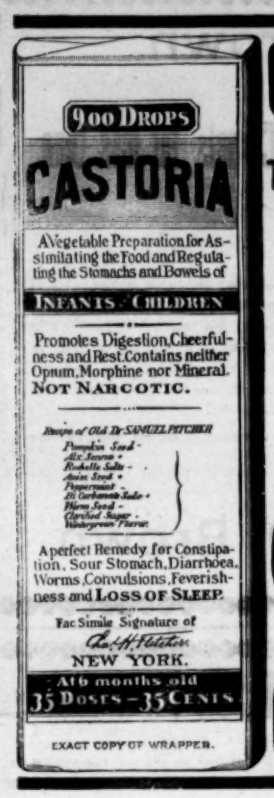
Laguna, 328 tons, Bayles, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Edgar C Ross, 380 tons, Quilan, George Harriss,



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INTERRUPTED BLISS.

Juanito gazes at Isolina. Isolina gazes at Juanito. Dona Severiana sits at a little distance, knitting stockings.

Juanito sighs.

"What's the matter, love?" asks Isolina.

"I'm thinking of how happy we shall be when we're married."

Isolina looks down at the floor and blushes.

"Do you love me?" he inquires.

"More than my own life," replies she.

Dona Severiana contemplates the lovers, with tears of joy in her eyes.

"How good your mother is!" whispers Juanito to Isolina.

"Mamma is an angel," whispers Isolina.

"I should like to clasp her to my heart," says Juanito. "I should like her to regard me as her true and loving son."

Dona Severiana, who has overheard the conversation, rises to her feet, and, throwing the stockings aside, with emotion precipitates herself into Juanito's arms, saying:

"Do not think of me as your mother-in-law. Look upon me as a loving friend, as an affectionate sister, as"—

Isolina, Juanito and Dona Severiana remain locked in each other's arms, shedding tears of joy.

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Juanito and Isolina are eating fried eggs out of the same plate. Each gives the other mouthfuls alternately as though they were babies. Dona Severiana sits at the other side of the table and watches them out of the corner of her eye.

"Do you love me?" coos Isolina.

"With all my heart," replies Juanito.

"And you are happy?"

"Oh, ever so happy!"

"And you will never cease to care for me?"

"N-e-v-e-r!"

Dona Severiana shifts about uneasily in her chair.

"Juanito," she says, suddenly addressing her son-in-law, "I must speak to you in very plain terms. I am her mother."

Juanito opens his eyes in alarm, and Dona Severiana continues severely:

"These loving demonstrations are doing harm to Isolina. She is young and doesn't realize what she is doing. The neighbors have begun to criticise her unfavorably."

"Isn't she my wife?" Juanito plucks up the courage to inquire.

"Admitting the fact," replies Dona Severiana, with decision; "admitting the fact, it isn't at all proper for you to make an exhibition of yourselves in the balcony. Why, only this morning I watched you kiss her 25 times in five minutes, while the policeman on the corner stood in a kind of trance and never took his eyes off you!"

"Well?"

"I repeat, you are abusing your prerogatives as husband of my daughter."

Juanito frowns. Then he eats a hot potato in silence.

Isolina whispers in his ear:

"Don't be vexed, Juanito, dear. Poor mamma! It's only because she is so fond of me."

Juanito savagely takes a mouthful of bread and in doing so bites his finger. Snatching his hand away in pain, it happens to strike his mother-in-law's cheek.

"Villain," she cries, "you have struck me!"

Isolina tries to calm her mother. Juanito protests his innocence of any wrong intention.

"He has raised his hand against me," declares Dona Severiana.

"No, mamma, dear, it was an accident," Isolina assures her.

Dona Severiana at length permits herself to be tranquilized and seats herself at the table, carefully and ostentatiously wrapping up her cheek in a handkerchief.

"Poor mamma!" whispers Isolina to her husband. "She is so good. Don't you think so, Juanito?"

And Juanito murmurs:

"Hum!"

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Juanito enters in a bad humor, throws his hat and cane on the sofa and, seating himself, takes a newspaper out of his pocket and begins to read.

Isolina is sewing. Dona Severiana fans herself with a lamp shade, so great is her absence of mind.

"Are we going to have lunch or aren't we going to have lunch in this house today?" inquires Juanito.

"Lunch will be ready in due time," announces Dona Severiana.

"I wasn't talking to you."

"Juanito! Please!" says Isolina in a pleading tone.

"Let him alone. Let him alone," says her mother majestically. "Let him insult me. Let him strike me. I shall say nothing."

Juanito mutters something and escapes into the dining room, shutting the door with violence after him.

The Maid (entering)—Lunch is on the table.

Dona Severiana—Come, Isolina. Come and take lunch and don't worry yourself about that man. He isn't worthy of any consideration whatever.

Isolina—Oh, dear!

They pass into the dining room and seat themselves at the table.

Juanito (pushing back his chair)—This is unbearable!

Isolina—What?

Juanito—Fried eggs every day—nothing but fried eggs! I'll not have any lunch at all.

Dona Severiana—So much the better.

Juanito—Hold your tongue!

Dona Severiana—I don't choose to.

Isolina—Oh, dear, how unhappy I am! But, Juanito, love, stay and take lunch with us, won't you?

Juanito—No, I won't. I'm full of fried eggs up to my neck.

A minute later the slamming of the front door announces the departure of Juanito.

Juanito makes his way to the English cafe, and, seating himself at one of the tables, calls the waiter.

"What have you for lunch today?"

"Anything you may wish, sir," replies the waiter. "Here is the bill of fare."

Juanito looks over the bill of fare carefully, and then, turning to the waiter, says:

"Bring me first of all a couple of fried eggs."

"Without potatoes?"

"Yes, and without mother-in-law!"—From the Spanish.

He Apologized.

International courtesies are to be observed even in disreputable professions. Josiah Flynt, who has shared the company of tramps in order to procure data as to their methods of living, relates an instance of true politeness from one of that unsavory brotherhood. He says in "Tramping With Tramps:"

"In Glasgow a fellow vagabond did me a good turn. We were walking along the street, when three town tramps came along and 'guyed' my hat. My companion noticed it, and I told him I had suffered in that way before. Then he turned sharply about on the scoffers and thundered out:

"'Who're you lookin at? Ef you're tryin to guy this Yank, you'd better stop! Ef you don't, there'll be a fight!'

"'Let's run,' said I, 'if you really mean that.'

"'Not much! I'm English, you know, and I can knock out any Scotchman that comes round. I'm in the mood for it right now.'

"The town vagabonds took him at his word and left. Then I said to him, 'You English fellows seem to have things pretty much your own way here.'

"'Yes,' said he; 'we English fellers know how to bluff. We've been bluffin the world now for a good many years.'

"'You forget the United States!' I could not help interjecting.

"'Beg pardon, Yank,' said he. 'Beg pardon!'"

Extravagantly Beautiful.

"Miss Frocks is a very pretty girl," said Mr. Hunker.

"Pretty?" repeated Mr. Spatts. "Miss Frocks is handsomer than her own photographs!"—Harper's Bazar.

A PRISONER OF WAR.

Minneapolis Man Has Been on Parole Thirty-five Years.

The civil war was over long ago, but in spite of the friendship between the north and the south the prisoners of war have not been all released.

There still lives in Minneapolis one man who has been on parole for the past 35 years and who is still a prisoner of war as much as when he first reported to the provost at Fort Snelling, many years ago, as far as release is concerned.

Colonel Platt B. Walker, one of the old citizens of Minneapolis, came to this part of the country as a prisoner of war, with orders to report to the provost at Fort Snelling, says the Minneapolis Tribune.

"I was one of the last Confederate officers to give up my toad sticker," says Mr. Walker, speaking of his experience. "When there was that wonderful gathering of armies in the corner of Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, I was among the troops. We had been driven back step by step from Missouri, and there on that memorable morning the whole army was to elect whether they were to surrender and go home or stay and be driven back until we joined Maximilian in Mexico. It was a wonderful sight to see the separation. On the hills at one side gathered those who were to surrender, on the other those who were off for Mexico. I was among the latter.

"We went along through Texas until about 20 miles from the Rio Grande, when I was overcome from a wound, and I never knew anything for 28 days.

"I awoke to find myself in a shanty, where I had been cared for, and there one morning, through a pillar of dust that approached through the chaparral, Captain Glenn and a detachment of Ohio cavalry captured me. I was sent from there in a broken down rattletrap of a stage 30 miles, and finally I went to Rock Island in the prison there and finally to Fort Snelling. I didn't know whether I was to be hung or imprisoned for life, but when I arrived the officer shook me by the hand and turned me loose on parole, and I was issued three rations for eight months.

"I staid here, of course, because I was a prisoner, and I never got any further orders. I gave my parole, and I kept it. That's all there is to it. I am here yet, but I guess they have forgotten all about me and the parole I gave."

The Great Point With Cows.

The importance of rational feeding and care to bring out all there is in a cow is very strongly urged by Professor T. L. Haecker of the Minnesota station, who goes so far as to say that for the time being it is "of greater importance to the average dairyman than breed or type." He has found in his work that "the average cow in Minnesota is returning in dairy products a sum barely equal to the market price of the feed simply because of a lack of understanding of how to feed." The average gross return for all the common cows at the Minnesota station, which "are no better than the average cow of Minnesota," was valued at $44.53 per cow. The average gross return to farmers of the state, as shown by the creamery returns, was only about $22 per cow. This deficiency of $22.53 in the returns from the common cows of the state, Professor Haecker believes it is fair to conclude, is "wholly due to lack of knowledge of proper feeding and care."

Coarse Fodder In Pig Rations.

A number of Maryland station experiments show the best results with coarse fodder when fed in the absence of milk, and this would seem to indicate that these two feeds in some respects supply certain of the same requirements in the animal economy and that where milk is used there is less requirement for the coarse fodder or supplying some substitute for the grazing portion of the pigs' rations. This indication is also borne out by the facts observed in feeding pigs throughout the whole country—that is, that pen pigs receiving milk in addition to other rations thrive out of proportion to the food contents of the milk.

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and $100. Trial bottles 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

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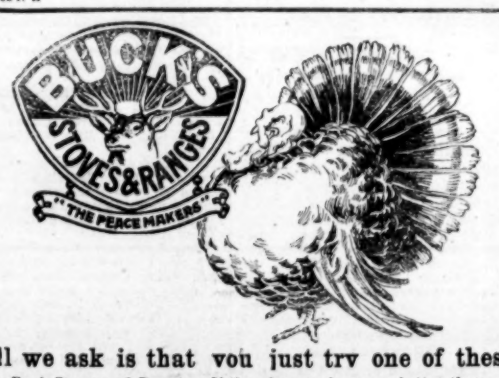

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P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 30	Kinston.....	10 15	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 07	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 02	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

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Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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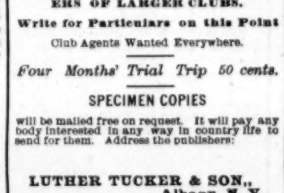

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Other trains arrive at Hamlet as follows: Train 408 from Atlanta, Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton, Charlotte and Monroe at 9.05 P. M.; train No. 41 from Portsmouth at 7.40 P. M.; train No. 27 from Richmond and points North at 7.53 P. M.; train No. 44 from Columbia and points South at 9.05 P. M., and train No. 66 from Columbia and points South at 9.00 A. M. For tickets, sleepers etc., apply to Thos. D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.23 P. M., Weldon 1.30 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 3.10 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 3.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.55 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2 45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *2.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.31 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 8.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7 45 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 2.57 A. M., Goldsboro 4.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.38 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.00 A. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 3.30 P. M., Jacksonville 6.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M. Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 2.20 A. M., Augusta 3.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9 51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., Hope Mills 10 55 A. M. arrive Fayetteville 11.16 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.18 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.50 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.25 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrive Washington 11 00 A. M and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Pitt month 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 8.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10 10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C., Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.49 A. M., Hoylond 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.39 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 5.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.02 A. M., Manning 8.47 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.55 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 9 A. M., *9.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M., *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 23.

THE BASE BALL SITUATION

Wilmington Will Certainly Be in the League—The Canvass To-day.

The canvass for subscriptions to the League Base Ball team was resumed yesterday but in much the same desultory manner as has characterized former efforts in this direction and which, withal, is a good argument, with more than $800 already in hand (counting a few contingent subscriptions that will voluntarily come later), that the people really want base ball and will support a good team when the time comes.

The kind of canvass that will count, will be made by Messrs. R. H. Gwaltney and H. B Peschau to-day and they are respectfully commended to the consideration upon this "last go round" of those who have thus far been holding aloof from a movement, the success of which depends upon the liberality of their subscriptions to day. Wilmington now has a place in the League. The question is: Can she hold it?

The STAR learns that in all probability that when all the money is subscribed a stock company will be formed and a charter secured from the Secretary of State, in the same manner as employed by the other clubs in the League.

NICARAGUA CANAL QUESTION.

Great Britain Has No Intention of Ratifying the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty. Counter Proposals.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The cabinet at to day's meeting discussed a dispatch from Lord Pauncefote which, it is understood dealt, with the probable attitude of the United States toward Great Britain's counter-proposals in the Nicaragua canal matter.

As the official action resulting from to days meeting has not yet had time to take definite shape, it is impossible to say what conclusions were reached. United States Ambassador Choate will probably be summoned to the foreign office next Monday when Lord Lansdowne is likely to communicate to him the British views regarding the Nicaragua and China controversies. No expectation need be entertained that this interview will settle one way or the other the Nicaragua canal difficulty.

Great Britain has no intention of ratifying the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in the form desired by the Senate unless her counter-proposals are agreed to within the short time which remains before that treaty lapses; and this is recognized to be almost impossible.

Lord Pauncefote's dispatch gave further information at the request of Lord Lansdowne.

SITUATION IN VENEZUELA.

Another Outbreak—The Whole Interior of the Country at the Mercy of the Revolutionists.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

KINGSTON, JA., February 22.—Advices received here to day from the Island of Trinidad reveal a serious situation in Venezuela. It transpires that General Acosta, the rebel leader, has not been captured, and, though his capture has been repeatedly officially and unofficially announced, it is said that he is now being assisted by General Hernandez, General Rolande and supporters of former President Andrade.

The full extent of the rising is not known to the government. The whole interior of the country is reported to be at the mercy of the rebels and the ferment is extending to the coast towns. Several steamers, under British charter and flying the British flag, have been destroyed or impressed, and a number of vessels trading with Trinidad have been burned under orders from President Castro. A strong demand is made for the presence of a British warship.

British Guiana papers express disappointment at the attitude of America.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Observed as a Holiday in the National Capital, Though Both Houses of Congress Convened.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The National capital was exceptionally quiet to-day. The meeting of both houses of Congress attracted crowds to the capitol, but down town the streets were nearly deserted. Business generally was suspended and all of the executive departments were closed. At the White House the usual holiday quiet prevailed, the President spending most of the day in the family room.

RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 22.—Washington's birthday was celebrated here to-day by a parade of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues Battalion and the firing of an artillery salute in the capitol square by the Richmond Howitzers. The banks and State Federal and city offices were closed, and the public schools given a holiday.

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SENATE PASSED APPROPRIATIONS

For the Postoffice Department and the Consular and Diplomatic Service.

THE SOUTHERN FAST MAIL.

Rawlin's Amendment to Strike Out the Appropriation for This Was Defeated, After Debate—The House Proceedings.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Two of the great supply bills of the Government, the Postoffice and the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriations, were passed by the Senate to day. During the greater part of the session a proposition to discontinue the appropriations for fast mail facilities from New York to New Orleans via Atlanta, and from Kansas City, Mo., to Newton, Kans., was under discussion. While the debate was protracted it was not particularly lively. By a decisive vote the Senate continued the apppropriations. An effort was made to obtain an appropriation to continue the pneumatic tube service in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, but it failed. An amendment was agreed to authorizing the postmaster general to investigate the question of establishing a postal telegraph system and to report his findings to the next Congress.

The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill was passed in record time, only forty minutes being consumed in its consideration.

After a spirited debate, the conference report on the Indian Appropriation bill was rejected and sent back to conference.

Early in the day Washington's farewell address, in accordance with a custom of the Senate, on Washington's birthday, was read, by Senator Bacon of Georgia. The reading occupied fifty minutes. It was accorded close attention. Senator Bacon's reading was in fine, resonant voice and at its conclusion he was congratulated by many of his colleagues.

Consideration of the Postoffice Appropriation bill was resumed, the pending question being the Rawlins' amendment, to abolish the appropriations for fast mail service between New York and New Orleans and between Kansas City and Newton, Kas.

Senator Vest challenged the allegations that the proposed appropriations were subsidies. Subsidies were money given out of the treasury for nothing; but in the matter under consideration the appropriations facilitated the transmission of the mails.

Senator Morgan, Alabama, Senator Pritchard, North Carolina, and Senator Elkins, said the impetus of prosperity had come to the South to stay. This appropriation, small in comparison to the millions carried by the bill for the benefit of other sections of the country, would add to the facilities for transacting the South's increased business.

Senator Chilton, Texas, argued that there was no reason for singling out particular railroads and particular sections upon which to confer special mail facilities.

Senator McEnery, Louisiana, controverted this statement.

Senator Jones, Arkansas, declared that the proposed appropriation was as absolutely indefensible an expenditure of public money as ever had come under his experience.

Senator Clay, Georgia, interrupted to say that since the special appropriation was made the mail facilities from New York to New Orleans via Atlanta had been materially increased; that where one fast mail train was run before the appropriation was made, two are run now, both on schedules fixed by the Postoffice Department.

Senator Jones insisted that the increased facilities were due only to the natural progress and development of the railway service.

Senator Money, Mississippi, advocated the appropriation.

The amendment of Senator Rawlins was rejected—19 to 45.

Senator Butler had the floor and was about to make some statement when Senator Wolcott, in charge of the bill, inquired of the chair what was before the Senate.

The interruption evidently angered Senator Butler, who turned toward Senator Wolcott and folding his arms, stared intently for many seconds without a word. Then he said in a low voice: "If the Senator from Colorado will tone down his feelings, I will proceed with what I was about to say."

Senator Butler then offered an amendment directing the Postmaster General to make an investigation of the question of a postal telegraph system and report his findings to Congress, with the probable cost of establishing the system.

Senator Wolcott said he was willing to accept the amendment, and it was agreed to.

The bill was then passed.

The Diplomatic and Consular bill was passed after forty minutes consideration.

After prolonged discussion of the subject the conference report on the Indian bill was disagreed to by unanimous consent and sent back to conference.

The Senate then at 6:10 went into executive session and soon afterward adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House devoted to day to odds and ends of legislation. Nine bills were passed by unanimous consent and twenty nine claims bills and 139 pension bills were passed. Among the latter was the Senate bill to pension the widow of the late General Henry W. Lawton, who was killed in the Philippines. As the bill passed the Senate, it carried $100 a month, which the House cut down to $50 upon the representation that Mrs Lawton enjoyed a comfortable income.

Members clamored vigorously for recognition of their bills. At times fifty members simultaneously besieged Mr. Sulloway, of New Hampshire, who, as chairman of the Committee on Invalid Pensions, selected the bills to be called up.

Much merriment was caused when Speaker Henderson, while the bills were being passed, called Mr. Talbert, Democrat, South Carolina, to the chair. The South Carolinian, who has been a thorn in the side of the friends of pension bills for several years, put the bills through with great rapidity. He seemed to relish the work and the members of the House, who were at first amazed, applauded him to the echo as he proceeded.

At 8 o'clock the House adjourned.

Representative Mann, of Illinois, to-day introduced a bill repealing Section 5, of the Tariff Act of 1897, under which the President is empowered to levy additional duty on imports receiving a bounty from foreign governments, equal to the amount of the bounty paid. It is under the operation of section 5 that a duty was recently imposed on Russian sugar equal to the bounty paid on this sugar. Mr. Mann's resolution was referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

THE FERTILIZER TRUST

Has Bought Out the Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Company's Properties.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S.C., February 23.—It was learned here to day that the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, commonly known as the Fertilizer Trust, has bought out the Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Company. The latter concern owned 2 700 acres of the best phosphate land in the world, located in Charleston, Berkley and Colleton counties, and only recently efforts were made to induce it to put a million dollar plant here. The price paid for the stock of the Charleston Mining Company was $130, and the total sum involved is a million and a half dollars. As long as this company was independent it was a constant menace to the so called trust and now that it has been bought, the Virginia-Carolina concern has virtual control of the fertilizer situation in the South. The Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Company is owned almost entirely by Philadelphia capitalists. It began operations in 1867 and has perhaps paid more handsomely on its original outlay than any corporation in South Carolina.

IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Washington's Birthday Celebration at Manila—Sharp Skirmish—Several Natives Killed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, February 22—Thousands of Filipinos gathered around the Luneta Band Pavilion near the shore this afternoon and listened to and applauded American sentiments expressed by native and American orators, the occasion being the celebration of Washington's birthday.

It was the first gathering under the auspices of the Federal party. Filipino and American flags fluttered from the ships in the bay and over various parts of the assemblage. They were entwined on the speaker's stand.

Colonel Schuyler, with a detachment of the Forty sixth volunteer infantry, had a smart skirmish near Santa Cruiz Province of Cavite, in which several insurgents were killed. The Americans captured ten rifles.

During the week American flags, to the value of $25 000, have been sold to natives in the Provinces of Pampango, Tarlac and Pangasinan. School supplies to the value of $160,000 have been ordered. The government cable to Zamboanga is completed.

SITUATION IN PEKIN.

Chinese Officials Ordered to Repair the Palaces to Receive the Court—Von Waldersee's Expedition.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 24.—The *Standard* has received the following from Shanghai: "An imperial decree orders the Chinese officials in Pekin to repair the palaces there promptly that they may be in readiness to receive the court, which will leave Sian Fu toward the end of March."

Li Hung Chang asserts, says the Pekin correspondent of the *Morning Post*, "that the punishments to be imposed upon Prince Chuang and Fu Hsien have been carried out."

Chinese Edicts Signed.

PEKIN, February 22.—The foreign ministers this morning received a message from the Chinese peace commissioners, saying the edicts regarding the punishments, the cessation of examinations and the responsibility of the viceroys and governors have been signed, but the text has not yet arrived. Owing to the Chinese New Year celebrations, many of the telegraph offices are closed until next week.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—It is announced in a dispatch from Pekin, dated February 21st, that Count Von Waldersee has postponed the expedition he planned, as China has acceded to the demands of the Powers for punishment of guilty officials.

RESULT OF A VENDETTA.

Murder Supposed to Have Been Committed by the Mafia Society.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—A murder, believed to have been the result of a vendetta, was perpetrated near Grand and Milwaukee avenues, this city, late last night. Salvatore Di Giovanni, a labor contractor, was found shot through the heart, with Carlo Battista, who recently arrived from New York, standing over him. Battista, who is held pending developments, says he and the murdered man were warm friends, and that while on the way to Giovanni's home they were attacked by three men. Battista had not been injured, but carried a revolver which had not been fired.

The police later raided a house at 141 Milton avenue and arrested nine Italians, said to be sympathizers of the Chicago branch of the Mafia Society. Josepho Mariso, one of the arrests, is said by the others to be president of the "Sicilian Society." Numerous dirks, stilettos and revolvers were found in the room. The theory is that Giovanni was killed to prevent testifying at a murder trial in New York.

FIRST OF THE WINTER.

Snow Falling at Jackson, Miss., and Atlanta, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, MISS., Feb. 22.—The first snow in this State in two years fell here to-day. It is falling steadily to-night.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 22.—The first fall of snow in this locality this Winter came at 6 o'clock this evening.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 22.—Dispatches received here to night report sleet and snow falling at Winnsboro, Monroe and Tallulah, La., and Vicksburg, Yazoo City, Laurel and Watervalley, Miss. Greenville, Miss., reports: "Snow since 10 A. M.; ground covered to the depth of four inches."

West Point, Miss.: "The first snow of the season began falling to day at 1 o'clock and is still falling."

Houston: "A snow storm prevails throughout Northern Texas."

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 22.—Snow began falling here at 9 o'clock but melted as fast as it fell. At Selma, the fall was quite heavy.

MACON, Feb. 22.—The first snow of the season is falling here to-night.

Grant Eby, of Springfield, Ohio, last night won from William Stubbs, of Canada, 150 to 142, the pool championship of the world.

For Croup use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

STEAMER FROM THE FAR EAST

Wrecked on the California Coast Near the Harbor of San Francisco.

120 PERSONS WERE DROWNED

Steamship City of Rio De Janiero, of the Pacific Mail Company, from the Orient and Honolulu—Comparatively Few Saved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—The Pacific Mail steamer Rio de Janeiro ran on a hidden rock while entering the Golden Gate early this morning in a dense fog. She sank a few minutes after striking.

It is thought that nearly one hundred and fifty persons were drowned, but it is impossible to ascertain the exact number, owing to the fact that Purser John Roonsy, who had the passenger list and roster of the crew, is among the missing.

At 5 o'clock this afternoon ten bodies had been recovered, two white women, one white man and seven Chinese. The most prominent passenger on the steamer was Rounseville Wildman, U. S. Consul at Hong Kong, who was accompanied by his wife and two children. It is thought all were drowned.

The ship was in command of Pilot Fredrick Jordan when she struck. He was rescued. Captain William Ward went down with his vessel. As nearly as can be learned there were two hundred and thirty four people on board the Rio de Janeiro, as follows: Cabin passengers, 29; second cabin, 7; steerage, Chinese and Japanese, 58; officers and crew, 140.

The following have been accounted for:

Rescued—Seventy nine; bodies at the morgue, ten. Total, eighty nine.

The Rio de Janeiro was three days overdue from Hong Kong via Honolulu when she arrived off the Heads last night and the dense fog prevailing at the time induced Pilot Jordan to bring her to anchor until he could see his way clear through the gate way. She laid to until about 4 30 o'clock this morning, when the atmosphere cleared and she was started under slow steam toward Point Bonita. All went well until 5 30 o'clock, when she struck. Most of the passengers were below at the time, and it is believed that many of them were drowned in their berths.

The first news of the disaster reached here at 7 30 o'clock this morning and afterward a boat load of rescued passengers and petty officers arrived at the mail dock.

Tugs were immediately dispatched to render any service that might be needed, but no living persons were afloat when the tugs reached the wreck.

A number of drowning people were rescued by Italian fishermen, and the bodies of two white women, three Chinese and a Japanese were brought in by the tugs. The search for victims has continued all day.

The officers were cool and gave the necessary orders with the least possible excitement. Captain Ward, who was on deck when the vessel struck, at once gave orders to the crew on watch to hurry the passengers to the forward deck. The quartermaster on duty sounded the signal for fire drill, and within five minutes all the men were at their stations. The captain gave orders to lower the life boats and liferafts.

There was not much confusion until, fifteen minutes after striking, the bow of the vessel suddenly plunged under water. Then there was a wild rush for the boats. Two boats had already been lowered and others were getting away as rapidly as the trained discipline of the crew could prepare them. A thick fog enveloped everything, and as yet no sign had come from the life-saving station. Darkness was all about, and with this added horror, the people of the Rio had to cope.

One boat got clear of the vessel without damage. It contained: Mrs. West, Mrs. Ripley, Chief Engineer Herlihey, second officer Coghlan, Frank Cramp, J. R Russell, storekeeper Borgg, waitertender D. Lane, Quartermaster R. Matthieson, and Captain Hecht, of the German navy. This boat got clear of the sinking vessel and then stood by to help in picking up those who had not time to get into the boats and were in the water.

Another boat containing third officer Holland and J K. Carpenter, got away but was drifted around close up under the bow of the steamer. As the forward end of the vessel plunged downward, the prow caught the small boat and cut it in two. The two men in the boat were uninjured and swam away. Carpenter was picked up but Holland is supposed to have perished.

A number of Italian fishermen who were just starting out this morning, saw the sinking of the Rio and hastened to render assistance. Meantime many of the terrified people rushed to the railings and jumped overboard. Some were picked up, others were drowned.

The Chinese crew, numbering over a hundred, was terrorized. Many jumped into the sea.

Captain Ward remained on deck until the vessel had settled and the water was engulfing him. Then he went up on the bridge to issue directions.

The wreck lies about three fourths of a mile south of Fort Point and about a thousand yards off the rocky shore. The smokestack and a portion of the upper works of the ill fated steamer are visible. Three survivors say that they saw Captain Ward to the last, but Frederick Lindstrom, the quartermaster of the Rio, emphatically declared that Captain Ward emulated Admiral Tryon of Her Majesty's ship Victoria, in going down to his cabin, where he met his doom behind a locked door.

Quartermaster Officer Lindstrom was one of the first to land. According to his story Captain Ward, after consulting with Pilot Jordan, came down from the bridge. He was standing on the deck when the vessel crashed upon the rock.

There was a cry of "Man the boats," but it was apparent that in the midst of the awful confusion a systematic effort to save the passengers would be of no avail. Everybody was scrambling for his own safety.

It was at this time that Lindstrom says he saw Captain Ward standing on the forward deck. Suddenly the captain turned and walking hurriedly to his cabin, disappeared behind the door, which he closed. A second later the vessel was plunging to the bottom of the sea.

The Italian fishermen brought to the Merchants Exchange station at Meiggs wharf twelve bags of mail which they picked up at the scene of the wreck. These include two pouches from the United States militray station in China. Also two bags of registered mail. When the registered bags were delivered it was found that they had been ripped open with a knife and all their contents stolen. When this crime was committed is a question, but the fishermen who brought them in were not suspected and it is impossible to determine who the robbers are.

The Fort Point Life Saving crew was out drilling at 7 40 o'clock, when the fishing boat with the first of the survivors passed in and reported the wreck. The rescued people were taken ashore to the Life Saving station and the crew started out to the wreck, but there was nothing to be found. The Southside crew was on the scene about an hour later, and its captain was of the opinion that all the wreckage pointed to the fact that the Rio had blown up after the sinking. All the woodwork is splintered and details known to seafaring men, and too numerous to mention, support this theory thoroughly.

The City of Rio de Janeiro was an iron steamer of 3,508 gross tonnage and 2,275 net. She was built by J Rouch & Son, at Chester, Pa., in 1878. The vessel was owned by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and was in the Oriental service.

About ten years ago the Frank Jones, an American deep water ship, struck Mile Rock and went down under somewhat similar circumstances.

A NEGRO SWINDLER

Arrested and Jailed at Atlanta in Default of $500 Bond.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 22.—Upon complaint of Scilla Smith, a negress, I. H. Dickerson of Nashville, Tenn., general Manager of the National ex-Slave Mutual Relief Bounty and Pension Association of the United States of America, in default of a $500 bond has been jailed here on charge of cheating and swindling.

It is alleged that Dickerson, who is a negro, travels over the country and sells certificates in the association he represents for twenty-five cents and collects ten cents per month dues. The object of the association is said to be to have passed in Congress a bill pensioning former slaves. The association claims a membership of 250,000 negroes.

IN THE TRANSVAAL.

DeWet Moving Westward to Get Fresh Horses—His Force Divided.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

DE AAR, CAPE COLONY, February 19.—Commandant Froeman's force, about 1,000 strong, has separated from General DeWet and gone north. General DeWet is moving westward to meet Commandant Hertzog, who is coming with a fresh supply of horses.

A British officer, taken prisoner by General DeWet at Sand Drift but subsequently released, asserts that he and his fellow prisoners were shamefully treated by the Boers. He says he saw General DeWet personally ajambok ing a British officer for expostulating about the treatment.

FARM WHEELETS

Sir Alfred Milner reports twenty bubonic plague cases, three deaths and 104 quarantined in Cape Town during the week ended February 16th.

The work of rescuing the thirteen entombed miners at the State Asylum mines at Tuscaloosa, Ala., continues. It is thought they will be reached by noon to day and possibly earlier.

Twelve killed and (about thirty injured is the record of the result of the collision of trains Thursday night near Bordentown, on the Amboy division of the Pennsylvania railroad.

The jury in the second trial of Dr. Samuel J. Kennedy, under indictment for the murder of Dolly Reynolds, disagreed and the accused is again in the Tombs in the cell formerly occupied by Roland B. Molineux.

In the Russian provinces of Kherson and Bessarabia tens of thousands of people are famishing. Typhus also is rapidly spreading. Southwestern Russia has equally lamentable conditions.

While trying to arrest a negro at Zelfo, Fla., Edward Vestal, the deputy sheriff, was shot just below the heart by Oscar Paine, another negro. Vestal is not expected to live. A posse is after the negro with blood hounds and there will probably be a lynching if he is captured.

Church Notices.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor. 11 A. M. "Rally Day." at 7.45 P. M. "Father, Mother and Child."

Black Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. H. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 45 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

In the absence of the pastor Rev. Edward Lane will conduct the services to-morrow at 11 A M at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. There will be no services at night. Sabbath School at 3 P. M.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets. Rev. J. J. Paysour pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday school at 4.00 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church, Rev. John H. Hall pastor. Services on Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Sunday School, W B Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited Seats free.

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